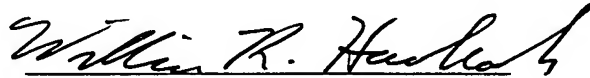


Applicant hereby elects **Group III** (claims 32-37), with traverse, expressly reserving the right to file one or more divisional application(s) directed to the subject matter of the remaining non-elected claims present in the application.

With regard to the species designated in the aforementioned Office Action as further subdividing Group I, Applicant respectfully reserves the right to traverse on specific grounds at a later date.

In order to advance the prosecution of this application or to resolve any outstanding issues, the Examiner is cordially invited to telephone Applicant's undersigned representative at any time during prosecution of this application.

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